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Re: Application of Alain VANDERGHEYNST, Jean VAN VLIET and  
Eduard PELCKMANS  
PROCESS FOR MANUFACTURING (U,Pu)O<sub>2</sub> MIXED OXIDE NUCLEAR  
FUEL PELLETS FROM NON-FREE-FLOWING UO<sub>2</sub> POWDER  
Our Ref: Q64867

Dear Sir:

The following documents and fees are submitted herewith in connection with the above application for the purpose of entering the National stage under 35 U.S.C. § 371 and in accordance with Chapter II of the Patent Cooperation Treaty:

- ☒ an executed Declaration and Power of Attorney.
- ☒ an English translation of the International Application.
- ☒ 3 sheets of drawings (Figs. 1-3).
- ☐ an English translation of Article 19 claim amendments.
- ☐ an English translation of Article 34 amendments (annexes to the IPER).
- ☒ an executed Assignment and PTO 1595 form.
- ☐ a Form PTO-1449 listing the ISR references, and a complete copy of each reference.
- ☒ a Preliminary Amendment

It is assumed that the International Search Report, will be supplied directly by the International Bureau, but if further copies are needed, the undersigned can easily provide them upon request.

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Please see the attached PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT before calculating the filing fee.

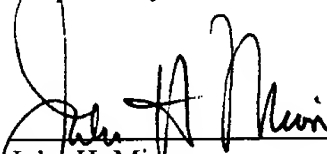
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Total claims	<u>11</u>	-	20	=		x	\$18.00	=	\$0.00
Independent claims	<u>1</u>	-	3	=		x	\$80.00	=	\$0.00
Base Fee									\$860.00
<b>TOTAL FILING FEE</b>									\$860.00
<b>Recordation of Assignment</b>									\$40.00
<b>TOTAL FEE</b>									\$900.00

Checks for the statutory filing fee of \$860.00 and Assignment recordation fee of \$40.00 are attached. You are also directed and authorized to charge or credit any difference or overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16, 1.17 and 1.492 which may be required during the entire pendency of the application to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is attached.

There is no claim to priority.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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